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APPLICANT: Onda, et al.

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(Divisional of U.S.S.N. 09/201,474)

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FOR: PACAP RECEPTOR PROTEIN, METHOD FOR PREPARING SAID
PROTEIN AND USE THEREOF

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, DC 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicants respectfully request that the following Preliminary Amendment be entered prior to examination of the present application.

In the Specification:

Applicants note that page 139 is a blank page between the specification and the sequence listing. Applicants request that page 139 be deleted and that the sequence listing and claims be renumbered accordingly.

On page 18, line 17, insert --(SEQ ID NO:38)-- after "sequence";
line 19, insert --(SEQ ID NO:15)-- after "sequence";
line 23, insert --(SEQ ID NO:39)-- after "sequence" and
line 25, insert --(SEQ ID NO:17)-- after "sequence".

On page 19, line 17, insert --(SEQ ID NO:40)-- after "sequence";
line 19, insert --(SEQ ID NO:19)-- after "sequence";
line 25, insert --(SEQ ID NO:41)-- after "sequence"; and
line 27, insert --(SEQ ID NO:21)-- after "sequence".

On page 20, line 11, insert --(SEQ ID NO:42)-- after "sequence";
line 13, insert --(SEQ ID NO:23)-- after "sequence";

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line 20, insert --(nucleotide 400-441 of SEQ ID NO:25)-- after "I-B";
line 20, insert --(nucleotide 400-440 of SEQ ID NO:27)-- after "I-B2";
line 20, insert --(nucleotide 400-441 of SEQ ID NO:29)-- after "I-C";
line 23, insert --Rat Types I-B (342-383 of SEQ ID NO:2)-- after "I-A";
line 24, insert --(SEQ ID NO:45)-- after "sequence"; and
line 25, insert --(SEQ ID NO:29)-- after "sequence".

On page 21, line 2, insert --(SEQ ID NO:44)-- after "sequence";
line 4, insert --(SEQ ID NO:27)-- after "sequence";
line 6, insert --(SEQ ID NO:43)-- after "sequence"; and
line 7, insert --(SEQ ID NO:29)-- after "sequence";
line 19, insert --(amino acids 10-467 of SEQ ID NO:19)-- after "sequence";
line 21, insert --(SEQ ID NO:56)-- after "sequence".

On page 22, line 11, insert --(amino acids 1-525 of SEQ ID NO:23)-- after "protein";
line 11, insert --(amino acids 1-513 of SEQ ID NO:15)-- after "protein";
line 12, insert --(amino acids 1-495 of SEQ ID NO:21)-- after "protein".

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-23, 27-36, 41-43 and 47-50.

REMARKS

Claims 1-23, 27-36, 41-43, and 47-50 have been canceled without prejudice by virtue of this amendment.

For the Examiner's information, it appears that the inventors for claims 24-26, 37-40 and 44-46 are Haruo Onda, Masaki Hosoya, Kazuhiro Ogi, Yasunori Miyamoto, Yugo Habata and Norio Shimamoto in this case. Thus a petition to change the inventorship is being prepared, and will be submitted forthwith.

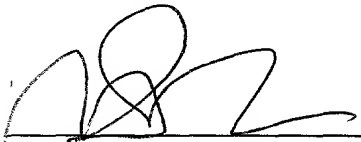
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